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# CSA-69 ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING Minutes Thursday, November 10, 2011

#### **Members**

Baker, Mark – Lakeside Community Planning Group (Alt)
Bingham, James – Lakeside Fire Protection District
Chambers, Pat – Santee Chamber of Commerce
Fox, Ken – Santee School District Board
Jackman, Larry – San Miguel Fire Protection District
Meadows-Pitt, R.N., Mary – Sharp Grossmont Hospital
Minto, John - City of Santee (Alt)
Savage, Warren – Citizen Representative

#### Agency Representatives

Mattick, Richard – City of Santee Fire District Parr, Andy – Lakeside Fire District

# **Members Absent**

Howe, Kevin – Lakeside Union School District Randazzo, Mike – Lakeside Chamber of Commerce

#### **County Staff**

Haynes, M.D., Bruce Metz, R.N., Marcy – EMS Chief Pate, R.N., Rebecca Yaghmaee, Saman

#### Recorder

Wolchko, Janet I.

# I. CALL TO ORDER/INTRODUCTIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Warren Savage, Chair called the meeting to order at 4:03 pm.

#### II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by James Bingham, seconded by Larry Jackman to approve the minutes from September 8, 2011 as corrected. Motion carried.

#### III. PUBLIC COMMENTS/PETITIONS

There were no public comments or petitions.

#### IV. STAFF/AGENCY REPORTS

# A. Financial Report (Saman Yaghmaee)

Saman Yaghmaee reviewed the CSA-69 budget from FY 2007-2011, and the projected budget for FY 2011/12.

Projections for FY 2011/12:

 Total revenue
 \$6,214,150

 Total expenditure
 6,083,691

 Surplus
 \$ 130,459

Mr. Yaghmaee explained the difference between the actual amounts shown in the CSA-69 budget table for FY 2007/08 through FY 2010/2011, and the projected amount for FY 2011/12 which is based on encumbered and budgeted amounts.

Discussion ensued on the growth in expenditure in the past four years compared to the growth from FY 2010/11 to FY 2011/12, and the projected expenditures and revenue amounts.

#### **B.** Administrative Report

- 1. Each year the Healthcare Capacity Task Force reviews the Capacity Plan in preparation for the flu season. The capacity taskforce met and made minor recommendations for changes to the four levels of the plan. Those changes will be out for comment to the healthcare providers and agencies.
- 2. In 2010, the County Board of Supervisors' started a 10 year strategic plan called "Building Better Health" which has been renamed "Live Well, San Diego!" Last Tuesday the Board of Supervisors' accepted the accomplishments and activities of the past year relative to the strategic plan. The three components of the plan are to achieve the vision for healthy, safe and thriving communities. A summary of "Live Well, San Diego!" highlights and accomplishments was provided to the CSA-69 members.
- 3. The EMS State Commission is meeting in San Francisco in December. Proposed changes for review include the paramedic regulations, Stoke and STEMI systems and EMS for children.
- 4. Upcoming community events include:
  - November 11, 2011, the Carrier Classic Basketball game on the aircraft carrier Carl Vincent.
  - November 12-20, 2011, the America's Cup on San Diego Bay. Three to five thousand people per day are expected to attend.
  - November 17, 2011, the Statewide Medical Health Exercise. There will be full activation of the EMS Departmental Operations Center (DOC) known as the

- Medical Operations Center (MOC). Scenario for the exercise is a contaminated water supply.
- November 9, 2011, there was a Nationwide Communication alert sent out.
   Notifications can be received through your cell phone by registering your cell phone with Alert San Diego.

Action: The website for registering cell phones will be sent to CSA-69 members.

# C. Medical Director's Report

- 1. Only a small number of influenza cases have been reported in the community. Cases of respiratory disease and respiratory disease with fever have been reported, but are not related to influenza. This year the flu vaccine is the same as last year. Since it is hard to predict how long a person's immunity will last; it is recommended to receive the vaccination this year as well.
- 2. The State EMS will be releasing proposed regulations for EMS for Children's, Stroke and heart attack systems.
- 3. There has been an increase in the use of opioid pain relievers (OPR). OPRs are associated with more deaths than cocaine and heroin combined. The DEA and Sheriff continue to offer prescription give back programs as a way to reduce unused narcotics in homes.
- 4. EMS has been reviewing data on trauma, heart attacks and stroke.
  - The number of trauma patients per 100,000 population has not changed over the last 10 years. Previously, major trauma patients were 20-40 years of age with the majority injured in motor vehicle incidents; now the typical trauma patient age is 45 years and older and falls are the major cause of injury.
  - The Stroke System started in 2009 and the first full year of data for 2010 was compiled. Of the number of EMS transported patients, 40 percent arrived in 4 hours or less and of those 27 percent received intravenous tissue plasminogen activator (tPA). This compares favorably with a large study done this year on door-to-needle time in stroke. Patients who receive tPA within 60 minutes of hospital arrival have improved outcomes with fewer complicating intracerebral bleeds.
  - In the Heart Attack System, the patients that arrived by 911 since the system started at the end of the first quarter in 2007, out of the 3,100 patients 1,500 received percutanous coronary intervention, or an angioplasty. Data included prehospital activated, non-activated and walk-in patients.

Larry Jackman inquired about prehospital offload monitoring for the flu season. Dr. Haynes responded that duty officers are on call 24 hours a day. If offload delays are over 20-30 minutes, hospital personnel are to be notified; if the delays continue, then the EMS duty officer should be notified.

# **D.** Agency Reports

Lakeside: Andy Parr reported that the next CSA-69 meeting in February 2012 will be at the new Lakeside administrative facility. The new facility will be open in January.

Santee: Richard Mattick reported that Chief Eldridge has retired and there is an opening for Division Chief with the Santee Fire Department.

Larry Jackman is retiring as the CSA-69 representative from the San Miguel Fire Protection District. Gary Croucher, the Operating Division Chief, will be the representative to CSA-69.

Action: Gary Croucher will be contacted regarding representation from the San Miguel Fire Protection District to CSA-69.

# V. CITY OF EL CAJON CONTRACT

A. The CSA-69 Advisory Committee has discussed its MOU agreement with the City of El Cajon and requested the County to present options to the contract.

# Summary of El Cajon billing for CSA-69 transports for calendar year 2010.

Percentage paid before and after 150-days: total \$198,183, \$88,717 (45 percent) paid by residents, \$109,466 (55 percent) paid by CSA-69.

Percentage paid by CSA-69 and residents: total \$198,183, \$15,588 (8 percent) unpaid after 150 days to cover CSA-69 reimbursing for calls to El Cajon; \$182,595 (92 percent) paid within 150 days resident's pay.

Percent of residents at risk is 8 percent, representing 11to12 transports per year.

- B. The following options were presented:
  - 1. Option 1 Terminate the contract with the City of El Cajon.
    - There is no cap per transport or annual maximum amount, making this a high risk contract.
    - Lack of mechanism to project costs and forecast expenditures.
    - Each transport is reimbursed at 100 percent which is unprecedented by the industry standards.
    - Does not prevent CSA-69 residents from referral to a collection agency for remaining balances.
  - 2. Option 2 Continue the contract with the City of El Cajon.
    - Ensures that CSA-69 residents who are transported by El Cajon are not sent to a collection agency
    - There is no cap per transport of annual maximum amount, having no control over projecting costs.
  - 3. Option 3 Propose a new contract with alternate reimbursement structure. Two alternate proposals were suggested.

#### Alternative A.

- Reduces the expenditure contract from \$109,466 to \$30,193 annually.
- Creates a complex billing structure that may reduce contract expenditures, but would increase staff cost to monitor the billing process.
- Does not prevent residents from referral to collections for remaining balances.

#### Alternative B.

- Reduces the expenditures from \$109,466 to \$17,836 annually.
- Creates a complex billing structure that may reduce the contract expenditures, but would increase staff cost to monitor the billing process.

• Does not prevent residents from referral to collection for remaining balances.

Mark Baker inquired if there would be issues between the operational agreements with CSA-69 and El Cajon as El Cajon sees a reduction in revenue. Andy Parr responded that it will not affect operational agreements.

A motion was made by James Bingham, seconded by Larry Jackman to approve Option 1 of the proposals. Motion carried.

# VI. SET NEXT MEETING/ADJOURNMENT

There will be a Budget Subcommittee meeting prior to the next CSA-69 Advisory Committee meeting at 3:00 pm. Members of the Budget Subcommittee include Pat Chambers, Larry Jackman and James Bingham. Attendees will also include Mark Baker and Warren Savage.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:56 pm.

The next CSA-69 Advisory Committee will meet on Thursday, February 9, 2012 at 4:00 pm at the Lakeside Fire Department Administrative Office, 12216 Lakeside Avenue, Lakeside, CA 92040.

Submitted by

Janet I. Wolchko Administrative Secretary County of San Diego, Emergency Medical Services